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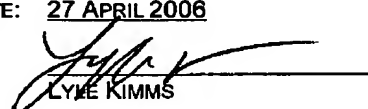
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**AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
WITH PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION**

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 27 December 2005, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply requires a one-month extension.

Applicants request a one-month extension, from 27 March 2006 to 27 April 2006, for replying to the outstanding Office Action. The extension fee is \$120. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$120 (or any additional fees required to maintain pendency of this application) to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.